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SUBJECT: PRESS INTERVIEW WITH MEMBER OF CHILEAN PATRIA Y
LIBERTAD GROUP.

REF : SANTIAGO 2056.

1. SUMMARY: WALTER ROBERT THIEME, INTERVIEWED BY PRESS IN BUENOS AIRES MAY 11, DEFINED HIS POLITICAL POSTURE AND REPLIED TO QUERIES ON HIS POSSIBLE EXTRADITION TO CHILE AND HIS PLOTTING TO OVERTHROW ALLENDE GOVT. HIS PATRIA Y LIBERTAD COLLEAGUE, MIGUEL JUAN SESSA, DID NOT APPEAR. NO ACTION REQUIRED. END SUMMARY.

2. THIEME STATED " SINCE POLITICAL PARTIES INCAPABLE OF CONTAINING MARXIST ADVANCE, HOUR HAS COME TO TAKE UP ARMS"; HE CONTINUED, " IF THE PRICE OF LIBERTY IS CIVIL WAR, WE HAVE TO PAY IT." HE COMPARED PATRIA Y LIBERTAD TO SPANISH FALANGE PARTY AND CURRENT CHILEAN SITUATION TO PRE- CIVIL WAR SPAIN. HE ADDED THAT LEAVING HIS LEGAL POSITION AS SECRETARY GENERAL OF PATRIA Y LIBERTAD FEBRUARY 23, 1973, TO WORK ILLEGALLY AND CLANDESTINELY AGAINST CHILEAN REGIME IMPLIED NO DISAGREEMENT WITH POLICY, STRATEGY LEADERSHIP, PURPOSES, OR IDEALS OF GROUP.

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3. THIEME DISCOUNTED PROBABILITY THAT HE AND SESSA WOULD BE EXTRADITED TO CHILE SINCE THEY HAD BEEN GRANTED ASYLUM BY GOA. WITH THESPIAN MODESTY THIEME FOREBORE PRESUMPTION THAT HE POSSESSED MEANS TO ORGANIZE A CONSPIRACY AGAINST CHILEAN GOVT, WHILE INSISTING THAT THE CHILEAN PEOPLE , FED UP WITH INTOLERABLE CONDITIONS, ARE PLOTTING TO OVERTHROW GOVT.

4. PRESS REPORT POUCHED TO AMEMBASSY CHILE.
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